

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A pipe coupling comprising:

a connector body having (1) pipe locking jaws end formed on the inside thereof and having ~~the same~~ an inner diameter ~~as the substantially the same as an~~ inner diameter of a pipe inserted into the pipe coupling, and (2) a taper part ~~formed at a side of the pipe locking jaws~~ for gradually reducing the inside space toward a free end of the pipe coupling, the taper part being opened at a portion of ~~the~~ a outer circumference thereof in which a snap ring insertion hole is formed;

a packing member inserted and mounted ~~at the lower end of the taper part~~ in the connector body adjacent the locking end;

a jaw coupling inserted and mounted into the taper part, the jaw coupling having a number of coupling holes for coupling fixing jaws in the circumferential direction and a seating hole formed in the upper portion thereof;

a snap ring located in the seating hole of the jaw coupling, ~~the~~ an outer circumference of the snap ring being compressed and inserted into the snap ring insertion hole, ~~both ends of the snap ring being bended~~ having ends bent in a ~~separated condition~~ opposite directions from each other and exposed to the outside through the outer circumference of the opened taper part; and

an elastic member interposed between the packing member and the jaw coupling.

Claim 2 (currently amended): The pipe coupling according to claim 1, wherein the packing member includes a V-packing, a backing ring, and an O-ring, which are ~~piled-up~~ aligned in order.

Claim 3 (original): The pipe coupling according to claim 1, wherein an elastic member supporter is interposed between the packing member and the elastic member.

Claim 4 (original): The pipe coupling according to claim 1, wherein the jaw coupling has a saw-type projection formed at a side of the seating hole, the saw-type projection having a width narrower than a distance between the both ends of the snap ring to be detachably mounted on the inner circumference of the snap ring.